Incentives to sterilise Government Servants

2215. SHRI RAM GOPAL YADAV:
SHRI ISH DUTTA YADAV:
SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased and state:

(a) the incentives given to Government servants on undertaking sterilisation after one or two children;

(b) whether after recent revision of pay scales, such employees are not being granted the additional increment as incentives as per revised rate of their new scales of pay on the basis of Fifth Pay Commission Report;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether the Government propose to issue revised order for grant of such increment at the rate of new revised scale as a measure of incentives for boosting family programme?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YASHWANT SINHA): (a) Following incentives are given to Central Government employees for undergoing sterilisation:—

(i) Payment in the form of personal pay of an amount equal to next increment due at the time of undergoing sterilisation; and

(ii) a rebate of 0.5 per cent in the rate of interest applicable on the House Building Advance availed by them.

(b) to (d) Rule 7(c) of the Central Civil Services (Revised Pay) Rules, 1997 provides *inter alia* that employees who are in receipt of certain additions to pay in the existing scale such as personal pay for promoting small family norms and in whose case these have been replaced in the revised scale with corresponding allowance/pay at the same rate or at a different rate, the allowance at the new rate as recommended shall be drawn in addition to the pay in the revised scale of pay. Based on the provisions in the statutory rules, some of the Ministries and Departments have authorised the increment admissible as personal pay for promoting small family norms at the lowest rate applicable in the revised scales of pay recommended by the Fifth Central Pay Commission and accepted by the Government. In the context of representations received that certain Ministries and Departments have not adopted a similar course of action, the question of issuing appropriate clarificatory orders is-under consideration.

केन्द्रीय सरकार के कर्मियों के यात्रा भत्ते की समीक्षा

2216. **कुमारी सरोज खापर्डे**:

श्री मुनख्वर हसन:

क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार केन्द्रीय सरकार के कर्मियों के यात्रा भारत को तर्कसंगत बनाने और इसे बढ़ाने संबंधी प्रस्ताव पर विचार कर रही है,

(ख) यदि हां, तो यह प्रस्ताव कब से लंबित पड़ा है और इसे कब तक अंतिम रूप दिए जाने की संभावना है, और

(ग) बढ़ें हुए यात्रा भत्ते का भुगतान किस तारीख से किया जाएगा ?

वित्त मंत्री (श्री यशवंत सिन्हा) : (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न हीं नहीं उठता।

Duty benefits to farmers

2217. SARDAR BALWINDER-SINGH BHUNDER:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased and state:

(a) whether there is a proposal under consideration to give duty benefits to the farmers and agriculturists for introduction of products not available in the country and used by them;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?